



# CELEBRATING THE IMPACT OF PHILANTHROPY

Annual Report 2024-2025



Betsy Delk and Jeremy West. West was elected Board Chair for FY26



Betsy Delk  
WLUF Executive Director

## DEAR VALUED DONORS:

As we close fiscal year 2025, I am honored to reflect on the incredible generosity of our donors and the enduring impact of philanthropy on our university.

In FY25, the Foundation raised a record amount of \$3.6 million and supported a variety of projects including the establishment of the Gary E. West Aviation Center and Endowed Scholarship, the replacement of the Blatnik Gymnasium floor, improvements to the Campus Woods Trails, lighting upgrades for the Emmett R. Boyle Conference Room, essential equipment for the Dental Hygiene program and Biology Lab and the establishment of 12 new named scholarships.

In addition, your contributions to the WLUF Annual Fund have continued to provide critical scholarship support for students which eases their financial burden and helps sustain the University. The robust Hilltopper Athletic Club Fund enhances the experience of student athletes and fans alike. And gifts to the Aspire Fund, which was founded by President Tim Borchers to support experiential learning, have helped students travel to New York, Japan and a manufacturer in Benwood, WV as part of their academic journey.

The Foundation staff and Board of Directors remain committed to transparency and responsible stewardship. The Foundation is pleased to report total assets of \$32 million, reflecting prudent financial management and the trust you place in us. Detailed financial disclosures can be found on the following pages, underscoring our dedication to accountability and maximizing the impact of your gifts.

Philanthropy continues to transform our campus and elevate the mission of the University. Your continued support ensures that we can build on this legacy and provide opportunities for generations of Hilltoppers to come.

With deepest appreciation,



Betsy Delk  
WLUF Executive Director

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Administrative Assistant/  
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## WLU FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Foundation is fortunate to have a dedicated Board. Thank you all for your service!



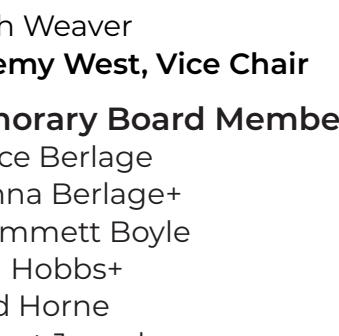
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**The West Liberty University Foundation raises, invests, and stewards private funds to strengthen West Liberty University and to increase opportunity for students of all backgrounds to pursue higher learning.**

### VISION STATEMENT:

The WLUF Foundation will build donor trust through ethical practices and communication while honoring philanthropic intentions that advance West Liberty University.

### CORE VALUES:

Integrity, Transparency, Accountability, Donor Centric, Stewardship, Professionalism, Collaboration, Ethical Standards

# RECOGNIZING PHILANTHROPY



Stephanie Paluda of Expand Energy, Mike & Peggy Mueller, Dr. Tim Borchers, Chris Sholota, Flip West, Lori Sholota, Rich Achtzehn, Betsy Delk

## PRESIDENT'S RECOGNITION BANQUET 2025 HONORS DONORS

On October 24, West Liberty University (WLU) proudly hosted its President's Recognition Banquet, honoring Wall of Honor recipients and The Impact of Philanthropy Awardees during the 2025 Homecoming festivities.

The Alumni Wall of Honor welcomed four outstanding alumni: Kym Gable, Mickey Marotti, Joe Nolan and Denise Penz. This honor is given to alumni who have excelled in their careers or made significant contributions through service.

The WLU Foundation presented the Impact of Philanthropy Awards to a select group of donors who contributed generously—\$25,000 or more during fiscal year 2025—to advance priority projects for WLU. The 2025 awardees included Rich '69 and Terry Achtzehn, Expand Energy, Peggy Dalrymple Mueller, Joan & Fred Stamp, and Flip West & The West Family.

Rich and Terry Achtzehn made a substantial gift to the Bobby Douglas Wrestling Complex Campaign. Expand Energy was recognized for their support of the Campus Woods Trails project.



Dr. Tim Borchers, Chris Sholota, Flip West, Lori Sholota, Betsy Delk

Peggie Dalrymple Mueller provided funding to permanently endow two scholarships in the College of Education in memory of her mother Doris Waddell Dalrymple and her brother Robert "Bob" Theodore Dalrymple. A gift from Joan & Fred Stamp established the "Joan Stifel Corson Aviation Scholarship" in memory of Joan's late mother who was among the first women aviators in the northern panhandle of West Virginia. A generous gift of \$1.7 million from Flip West and the West family enabled the creation of the Gary E. West Aviation Center on campus and the permanent endowment of the Gary E. West Aviation Scholarship.

**"Every donor we honor has touched the heart of this university. Their generosity creates opportunities that ripple through generations."**

Betsy Delk, Executive Director of the WLU Foundation, remarked, "The Impact of Philanthropy Awards celebrate the transformative power of giving. When donors invest in education, they invest in possibility. Their vision empowers students to dream bigger and reach higher."

WLU President Dr. Tim Borchers added, "Every donor we honor has touched the heart of this university. Their generosity creates opportunities that ripple through generations."



Dr. Tim Borchers, Mike & Peggy Mueller, Betsy Delk



Dr. Tim Borchers, Stephanie Paluda of Expand Energy, Betsy Delk



Dr. Tim Borchers, Rich Achtzehn, Betsy Delk

## 2025 IMPACT OF PHILANTHROPY HONOREES

- Rich '69 and Terry Achtzehn
- Expand Energy
- Peggy Dalrymple Mueller
- Joan & Fred Stamp
- Flip West & The West Family

## TRAILBLAZING SUPPORT FOR CAMPUS WOODS TRAILS



West Liberty University's vision to transform the 169 acres of the Campus Woods into a vibrant trail system took a major step forward thanks to a \$25,000 grant from Expand Energy. This lead gift is fueling enhancements that will make the trails safer, more accessible, and more enjoyable for students, faculty, and the surrounding community. From improving pathways to adding key infrastructure, Expand Energy's investment ensures that the trail system becomes a lasting resource for recreation, research, and wellness.

The project has also benefited from additional partnerships that amplify its impact. A volunteer West Virginia September 11th Day of Service Grant supported a large-scale volunteer event during new student orientation, where more than 50 participants—including students, faculty, and community members—worked together to install gravel, build and place benches and picnic tables, blaze trails and clear debris and invasive species. These efforts reflect the University's commitment to service and sustainability.

Further strengthening the initiative, the WLU Foundation was awarded a grant of professional-grade tools from the Warwood Tool Company which equipped volunteers and maintenance teams with the resources needed for ongoing upkeep. This collaboration ensures that the trail system will remain well-maintained and accessible for years to come.



WLU students assembling a table

Creativity has also played a role in shaping the project's identity. Under the guidance of Professor Moonjung Kang (Visual Communication Design), WLU student Bre Bogart developed branding and signage for the trail system, giving it a distinctive look that celebrates the natural beauty of the Campus Woods. These designs were featured on shirts and hats that were given to volunteers on our day of service.

Together, these contributions demonstrate how strategic partnerships and student innovation can create a lasting legacy for health, learning, and community engagement.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025

ASSETS	2025	2024
Cash and cash equivalents	125,651	--
Pledges receivable, net	32,985	153,043
Accrued interest and dividends	7,553	7,553
Investments	29,666,802	25,230,961
Beneficial interest in perpetual trust	2,706,042	2,552,581
Right-of-use asset - operating leases	--	25,212
Other assets	69,343	55,920
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>32,608,376</b>	<b>28,025,270</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Bank overdraft	--	48,519
Liability for charitable gift annuities	6,285	6,285
Lease liability - operating leases	--	25,212
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>6,285</b>	<b>80,016</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Without Donor Restrictions	2,303,024	1,968,721
With Donor Restrictions	30,299,067	25,976,533
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>32,608,091</b>	<b>27,945,254</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>32,608,376</b>	<b>28,025,270</b>

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025

SUPPORT AND REVENUES	2025	2024
Contributions	3,372,547	1,896,163
In-kind contributions	10,090	9,476
Investment Income	2,765,311	2,852,722
Change in value of split interest agreements	153,461	187,820
Other income	187,579	180,901
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUES</b>	<b>6,488,988</b>	<b>5,127,082</b>
<b>EXPENSES AND LOSSES</b>		
West Liberty University support:		
Scholarships	619,821	630,901
Athletic programs	358,466	328,543
Academic programs	249,153	393,672
Capital improvements	144,203	295,829
Other programs	16,087	52,224
Fundraising	8,475	4,835
Costs of direct benefits to donors	28,213	26,472
General and administrative	407,733	386,918
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES AND LOSSES</b>	<b>1,832,151</b>	<b>2,119,394</b>
<b>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS</b>		
	4,656,837	3,007,688
<b>NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>		
	27,945,254	24,937,566
<b>NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR</b>		
	32,602,091	27,945,254

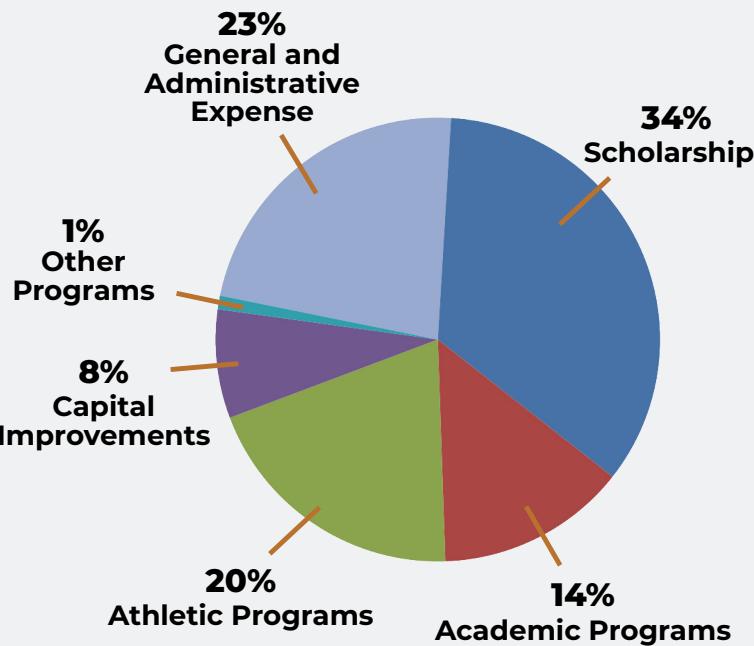
# 2025 UNIVERSITY **SUPPORT & EXPENDITURES**

JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025

UNIVERSITY SUPPORT	TOTAL	PERCENT OF TOTAL
<b>SCHOLARSHIPS</b>	<b>\$619,821</b>	<b>34%</b>
<b>ACADEMIC PROGRAMS</b> - 48 Hr Film Fest, TSTI expenses, College of Education Residency Placement stipends, Sound Library, Handshake Subscription, Food Pantry, Conference Expenses, Study Abroad, Threshold Journal, SURE Grant Stipends, Etiquette Dinners, Science Fair, Hughes Lecture Series, Zoo Science Internships, GA Stipends, etc.	<b>\$249,153</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>ATHLETIC PROGRAMS</b> - Expenditures for Hilltopper Athletic Club, recruiting expenses, Athletic apparel & gear, equipment, team bonding, Team Travel, Baseball Lead Off Dinner, TeamBuilder Subscription & Hudl Software, conference expenses, Assistant Coaches stipends, Lary Loew Gold Scramble, Athletic cameras.	<b>\$358,466</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</b> - WSOC house updates, Locker room upgrades, Classroom upgrades in Library, Tricaster for Topperstation, Biology equipment, Baseball field spectator deck, Dental Hygiene Clinic equipment, Softball Complex, Boyd Conference Room Lighting Upgrade, Racquetball court renovation, Library Wall Project, Coach Bobby Douglas Wrestling Complex renovations, ASRC Basketball Court recoat, Colonial Heights updates.	<b>\$144,203</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>OTHER PROGRAMS</b> - Library expenses, alumni activities, community support, etc.	<b>\$16,087</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>FOUNDATION EXPENSE</b>		
<b>GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE</b> - Includes salary and benefits, insurance, rent, operating expense, travel, etc.	<b>\$407,733</b>	<b>22%</b>
<b>FUNDRAISING</b>	<b>\$8,475</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>COSTS OF DIRECT BENEFITS TO DONORS</b>	<b>\$28,213</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>TOTAL UNIVERSITY SUPPORT</b>	<b>\$1,832,151</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL SUPPORT AND EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$1,832,151</b>	<b>100%</b>

**\$1,832,151**

TOTAL UNIVERSITY SUPPORT



To view the audited Financial Statements, Notes and  
Certified Public Accountants' Opinion,  
please go to [wlufoundation.org](http://wlufoundation.org).

# DAY OF GIVING SUCCESS



## NINTH ANNUAL DAY OF GIVING SURPASSES OVER \$300,000 RAISED FOR THE FIRST TIME

The West Liberty University Foundation held its ninth annual Topper Day of Giving on March 26, 2025, and for the first time in the event's history, the total amount raised surpassed \$300,000!

This is also the fourth consecutive year the Day of Giving exceeded the \$200,000 mark. Topper Day of Giving has seen significant boosts in participation since its inception in 2017 and has raised over one million dollars to support university programs, student scholarships, and the WLUF Annual Fund.

**Topper Day of Giving  
cracked the \$200,000  
mark for fourth year!**

This year, the 24-hour giving day saw a total of 1,181 gifts come in from 1,066 different donors. For the fourth year in a row, the Wrestling program had the highest donor participation

with 190 donors. Biology, which was a new micro campaign last year, came in second for the second straight year with 149 donors, followed by the Theatre Department (137 donors).

In total dollars raised, the top three campaigns were Biology (\$27,548),

Theatre (\$22,590), and the PA Program (\$13,060).

The West Liberty University Foundation wants to thank every staff member and donor who has continued to make Topper Day of Giving a success!

### TOP 3 MICRO CAMPAIGNS

#### Top by Participation

Wrestling: 190 donors  
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Theatre: 137 donors

#### Top By Total dollars raised

Biology: \$27,548  
Theatre: \$22,590  
PA Program: \$13,060

WLU Foundation  
**TOPPER  
DAY OF GIVING**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
10TH ANNUAL  
Topper Day of Giving  
March 25, 2026

# STUDENT SCHOLAR HIGHLIGHTS



## ABBIE DAVIDSON

**Kathryn T. Neuman Scholarship**

**Hometown:** Salem, Ohio

**Expected Graduation Date:** May 2028

**Major:** Elementary Education

**Minor:** Athletic Coaching and Special Education



## FAITH NYIREND

**Rollie Williams International Fund Scholarship**

**Hometown:** Blantyre, Malawi

**Expected Graduation Date:** Dec 2026

**Major:** MA Education in Community and Organization Leadership



## MAYSON MOFFITT

**Raymond G. Hughes Memorial Scholarship**

**Hometown:** Sistersville, W.Va.

**Expected Graduation Date:** May 2028

**Major:** English Literature



## RYAN DEFIBAUGH

**The Caldwell Scholarship**

**Hometown:** Mill Creek, W.Va.

**Expected Graduation Date:** May 2026

**Major:** Psychology

**Extracurriculars:** Psi Chi, Voluntarism

**What inspired you to choose your major or field of study?**  
Once I entered high school, I discovered a deep passion for education. I realized that education is far more than just subjects like math, science, language arts, or history—it is an opportunity to develop essential life skills, broaden perspectives, and form meaningful connections with people who can influence your growth in unexpected ways. By my freshman year, I knew that I wanted to dedicate myself to helping future generations recognize the value and significance of education. I believe that access to education is one of the greatest privileges a person can have, and unfortunately, not everyone has this opportunity. I chose this field of study because I want to inspire others to appreciate the importance of learning and to help them experience the empowerment and opportunity that education provides, just as I have.

### Can you describe a specific instance or experience at West Liberty University that has been particularly meaningful to you?

As this is my first semester at WLU, one thing that has really been meaningful to me is the people and how close-knit everyone is. It truly is one big family here, from the staff to the students.

**What inspired you to choose your major or field of study?**  
I love education as a whole, I believe that if we want to build innovative and creative generations, education plays a big part in shaping minds. Education brings about curiosity and awareness. Coming from Malawi where education access is very limited, I would love to increase access to quality education through my expertise.

### Can you describe a specific instance or experience at West Liberty University that has been particularly meaningful to you?

Being an international student, spending time learning about a new culture and different education systems has been quite meaningful. One of the best experiences is being part of the WLU international students club and local WLU community.

### How has receiving this scholarship impacted your education or life at WLU?

I received this scholarship when I was panicking to balance my study abroad expenses. I am a self-sponsored student and have extra costs associated with visa requirements.

This scholarship saved me from still paying my tuition and paying extra costs for my study abroad. I am grateful for this scholarship. I do not take it for granted.

### What inspired you to choose your major or field of study?

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### Can you describe a specific instance or experience at West Liberty University that has been particularly meaningful to you?

During my first week as a freshman, I applied for a part-time job at Topper Station. I still remember receiving a phone call from Theresa Gretchen, who would soon become my boss, welcoming me to the crew and inviting me to our first meeting the next day. I had been walking between classes when I answered that unknown number, unaware that I was about to speak with one of the most amazing people I would meet at WLU. Since then, I've fallen in love with the work we do at Topper Station and with the team that makes every day enjoyable—no matter how hectic an athletic event can get. That phone call remains one of my favorite memories, one I'll likely carry with me for years to come.

### How has receiving this scholarship impacted your education or life at WLU?

I've been fortunate to receive several scholarships, and this one has gone directly toward my food savings. It funds everything from my late-night Sheets study runs to my early-morning Tim Hortons trips. Beyond helping me stay fed, it has allowed me to focus on my studies without the constant worry of financial stress. Thanks to this scholarship, I've been able to enjoy a fulfilling, stress-free college experience—both academically and personally.

**Can you describe a specific instance or experience at West Liberty University that has been particularly meaningful to you?**  
In the fall semester of my freshman year, I attended the culture fair as part of a class assignment. As a West Virginian native, I have rarely left the state let alone the country, so I was excited to get to experience even a small piece of culture outside of my own. I had a lovely conversation with a woman from Germany regarding my German ancestry and the history of German immigrants in the state. That event really opened my eyes to how many firsts I was about to experience during my stay here at the Hilltop.

### How has receiving this scholarship impacted your education or life at WLU?

It has made the experience even more stress-free, keeping my diet low and spirits high. I am very thankful for those who are generous enough to allow someone like me to have an easier time obtaining higher education, and I hope to pay it forward someday.

### What is a fun fact about yourself?

I have a miniature poodle named Shiloh.

## NATHAN SHOTWELL SOCIETY

The Nathan Shotwell Planned Giving Society, established in 1997, recognizes and honors those who have made provisions for the West Liberty University Foundation through a bequest in a will or other estate-planning arrangement. The Society is named for the Reverend Dr. Nathan Shotwell, who founded West Liberty University in 1837 and served as its leader until 1854. Dr. Shotwell is credited with the establishment of the high academic standards to which the university continues to aspire. The following alumni and friends of West Liberty University have made such provisions:

Robert K. Abel '73  
Jack C. Adams '63+  
Mary K. Ahrens+  
Judith Schryver Azallion '99  
Bruce L. & Donna Waugh '65+ Berlage  
Patricia L. Bethel '79  
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Clyde '53 & Joan '62 Campbell  
Leah Gracey Campbell '39+  
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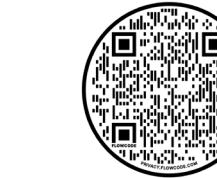
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We would like to welcome our new board members for FY26:

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- John Craig
- Greg Lawrence
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Topper the Bear and some of our WLU cheerleaders paid a visit to the WLUF Board Meeting during Homecoming Week

## JOSEPH BROTHERS ESTABLISH ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP TO SUPPORT FEMALE AVIATION STUDENTS

A highlight of the Foundation's fiscal year was the establishment of the Virginia Lee Joseph Scholarship, a permanently endowed fund created by brothers Dr. Daniel and Brian Joseph in memory of their mother, Virginia Lee Joseph, a pioneering aviator who earned her pilot's license in the 1950s.

The scholarship will support female students pursuing careers in aviation, continuing Virginia's legacy and passion for flight. As one of the few women to earn a pilot's license during a time when aviation was overwhelmingly male-dominated, Virginia Joseph exemplified courage, determination, and a trailblazing spirit—qualities her sons hope to inspire in future generations of women aviators.

"We wanted to honor our mother's remarkable life and her love of flying by

helping other women take to the skies," said Daniel Joseph. "This scholarship is a tribute to her legacy and a way to open doors for young women who share her dream."

Brian Joseph added, "Our mother believed in breaking barriers. Through this scholarship, we hope to empower women to pursue aviation with confidence and purpose."

The Joseph brothers are both WLU Alumni and members of the Alumni Wall of Honor. Daniel, who has practiced orthodontics in Wheeling for 45 years, has served as president of the Wheeling District Dental Society and the West Virginia Orthodontic Association and as president and treasurer of the West Virginia Dental Association. He has served on the West Liberty University Board of Governors and is a member and past Chairman of the WLU Foundation Board of Directors.

Brian is President, CEO and founder of Toxicologic Research Laboratory which has created hundreds of inventions with extraordinary success in material development, new products, and aerospace testing. Brian is a member and past president of the J.B. Chamber Foundation and served as chairman of the West Liberty University Board of Governors.



Dan Joseph, Brian Joseph, and Betsy Delk

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Mary Casey Bates Elementary Education Scholarship  
Mary Jane Ritson Scholarship  
Mary K. Ahrens Scholarship  
Meagel Charitable Trust  
Meagel Scholarship  
Men's Basketball Endowment  
Mildred Kaetzel Biggs Dental Hygiene Faculty Enrichment Music Scholarship  
Nancy Crow Trentini Endowed Music Scholarship  
Nancy Smith-Harris '36 Scholarship  
Nelson Cain Scholarship  
Norman C. Winters Memorial Scholarship  
Nursing Scholarship  
Pamela Beltz Lyons Scholarship  
Patricia L. Bethel Nursing Scholarship  
Patricia Zapka Gracey Scholarship  
Paul N. and Helen P. Elbin Library Fund  
Paul Wm. Hughes Fund  
Paula Myers-Keith Scholarship  
Peggy Lydick McCarroll Dental Hygiene Scholarship  
Pete Holloway Scholarship  
Physician Assistant Program Scholarship  
Project BEST Scholarship  
Protestant Campus Ministry Endowment  
R. Clark Morton Scholarship  
R. Emmett Boyle Conference Center Maintenance Fund  
Raymond G. Hughes Memorial Fund  
Robert Godfrey Accounting Scholarship  
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Robert L. Levenson Memorial Scholarship  
Robert Theodore Dalrymple Education

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Roland E. "Rollie" Williams International Fund  
Romeo A. Cipriani Chemistry Endowment  
Ruth Ann Scherich Scholarship\*  
Sara Jane Fritz Memorial Scholarship  
Sargent Dental Hygiene Scholarship  
Schnitzler/Hartenstein Scholarship  
Silver Bears Scholarship  
Sontag Family Scholarship  
Staff Employee Scholarship  
Stanley Harrison Theatre Scholarship  
Stella Caravas-Misoyianis Scholarship  
Technology Fund  
The Alumni Association of the School of Nursing of the OVGH Scholarship  
The Cardamone Family Scholarship in Memory of Gregory L. Cardamone  
The Dave L. Waples Football Endowment  
The Eleanore V. Golden Scholarship  
The Marty and Patti Adams Scholarship  
The Mary Elizabeth Harrison Reiner Professional Development for Health Sciences  
The Shimp Brothers Scholarship  
The Tom Cervone and Susan Creswell Scholarship  
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Theta Xi Fraternity Scholarship  
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Tri-State Tax Institute Scholarship\*  
Valerie Renee Callas Scholarship  
Vernon D. "Mike" Riemer Memorial Scholarship  
Virginia Lee Joseph Aviation Scholarship\*  
WesBanco Investment Club  
West Liberty University Foundation Fund  
William S. & Lee Weeks Abraham Music Scholarship  
Wrestling Endowment  
WLU Bookstore Scholarship  
WLU Foundation Endowment

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1990 Baseball Scholarship  
48 Hour Film Fest  
ACDA Fund  
Acrobatics & Tumbling  
Al & Thais Blatnik Scholarship  
Criminal Justice Program  
Alumni Association  
Alumni Park Building Fund  
Andrew & Linda Pasden School of Business Administration Scholarship  
Annual Fund  
Appalachian Biodiversity  
Arnett Hall Renovations  
Art Department Scholarship  
Art Therapy Scholarship  
Aspire Fund  
Aspire U Leadership Program\*  
Athletic Operations and Sports Information Fund  
Athletic Practice Facility Fund  
Band Fund  
Barnes & Noble Scholarship  
Baseball Field Renovation  
Belmont Savings Bank Softball Complex  
Beth Salatino Memorial Scholarship  
Biology Department  
Blue Crawfish & Little Brown Mudbug Conservation Assessment\*  
Emma Kate Smith Memorial Scholarship\*  
Etiquette Dinner\*  
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Ceramics Fund  
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Choir Tour Fund  
Clinical Athletic Training  
Coach Bobby Douglas Wrestling Complex Fund  
Coach Grall Fund  
College Fair  
College of Business  
College of Education & Human Performance  
College of Liberal & Creative Arts  
College of Science  
Collegiate Alumnae of Wheeling Scholarship  
Colonial Heights Maintenance

Cory Hewitt Memorial Scholarship  
Council for Exceptional Children  
Counseling Services  
Creative Art Therapy Club  
Jack Hattman Scholarship  
Jack Schuetz – State Farm Student Athlete Scholarship  
Joan Stifel Corson Aviation Scholarship\*  
John Hennen Scholarship  
Kelly Theatre  
Kenneth & William Wright Scholarship  
Kenneth Harris Scholarship  
Lary Loew Golf Scramble Fund  
Life Insurance Fund  
Diane Billham Gongaware Business Scholarship  
Liberty Oaks  
Maintenance Department  
Masters in Arts Education Scholarship  
Men's Soccer  
Monongalia County Scholarship  
Monongalia County Scholarship  
Mull Business Scholarship\*  
Music Department Fund  
NAFME Fund  
Nearby Data Project Year 4\*  
Edgar Martin Men's Tennis  
Education Leads to Access – Campbell Hall  
Ellen Riggs Neidermeyer Award for Excellence in Nursing Sciences  
Blue Crawfish & Little Brown Mudbug Conservation Assessment\*  
Emma Kate Smith Memorial Scholarship\*  
Etiquette Dinner\*  
Exercise Physiology  
FBLA Phi Beta Lambda  
First Generation Scholarship  
Football Stadium Renovations  
Francis J. and Edith Jackson Family Foundation Fund  
Friends of the Paul N. Elbin Library  
Gary E. West Aviation Center\*  
General Non-Endowed Scholarship  
Golf  
Golf Team Golf Scramble  
Graduate Education  
Graphic Design Department  
Gray Williamson Legacy Fund  
Greek Life  
Grow Your Own Scholarship  
Helping Hilltoppers  
Hilltop Players' Patron  
Hilltopper Athletic Club  
Hilltopper Youth Music Summer Camp

Homecoming Events  
Hoop Club (Men's Basketball)  
Jack Adams Fund  
Jack Hattman Scholarship  
Jack Schuetz – State Farm Student Athlete Scholarship  
Joan Stifel Corson Aviation Scholarship\*  
John Hennen Scholarship  
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Student Activities  
Student Athlete Experience Fund (Wrestling)  
Student Government Association  
Student Success Center  
Study Abroad  
The Master of Dental Hygiene Scholarship  
The Trumpet  
Theatre Scholarship  
Theatre Student Travel  
Thomas Hostetter Memorial Scholarship  
Topperstation  
TopperThrift  
Tri-State Dental Hygienists Association Scholarship  
Tri-State Tax Institute  
Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church College  
Community  
Chorus Fund  
Wall of Honor  
Wellness Center  
West Liberty Aviation Organization\*  
West Family Athletic Complex  
Wetzel Zoosciene Fund  
WGLZ  
Wheeling District Dental Society Scholarship  
WLU Baseball  
WLU CFC Fund  
WLU Choir Fund  
WLU Cheerleaders  
Women's Basketball Assistant Coach  
Women's Basketball Franklin Family Scholarship  
Women's Basketball  
Women's Golf  
Women's Soccer  
Women's Softball  
Women's Tennis  
Women's Volleyball  
World Music Fund  
Wrestling  
Wrestling Gear Fund  
Wrestling Golf Scramble  
Wrestling Scholarship  
Zach Amedeo Football Scholarship  
S.R. Snodgrass Accounting Scholarship  
Zoo Science Student Fund

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# INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF AVIATORS

In October, Flip West, her family, and her two pilots visited with the WLU aviation students who will soon be taking up residence in the Gary E. West Aviation Center in Main Hall. Thanks to a transformational gift from the West Family, the Aviation Center will boast a full-size simulator, offices, debriefing rooms and lounge for our aspiring aviators.

In addition to expressing their gratitude to Mrs. West and her family, the students had the unique opportunity to meet her two talented pilots, Mark Cherney and Hunter Blank, who shared insights from their careers and answered questions about certifications, career pathways,



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networking and more. Both pilots encouraged the students to interact with personnel and pilots at the airport never knowing who might invite them to fly an aircraft or connect them with a job prospect

The West Family's generosity has transformed the future of aviation at WLU. Their remarkable \$1.7 million gift established the Gary E. West Aviation Center and the Gary E. West Endowed Aviation Scholarship, ensuring that aspiring pilots have access to state-of-the-art facilities and scholarship support for years to come.



Flip West with Second Year Aviation Students

Aviation students listen to pilots

## EXPLANATION OF FOUNDATION FUNDS

Listed here are the various funds held by the West Liberty University Foundation, Inc.

### RESTRICTED GIFTS

Donations made to the West Liberty University Foundation, Inc. with a specific purpose stated by the donor.

### UNRESTRICTED GIFTS

Donations made to the West Liberty University Foundation, Inc. support the WLU Foundation Scholarship Program and areas of greatest need, which are identified by the WLU Foundation Need Request Proposal Process.

### TYPES OF FUNDS

#### NAMED ENDOWED FUND

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#### TEMPORARILY ENDOWED FUND

A temporarily endowed fund with a balance of less than \$25,000 may be established with the understanding that the donor(s) or governing body intends to fund at minimum \$25,000 level and that no income generated by the gift principal will be distributed until the \$25,000 minimum principal balance has been achieved. If not fully funded within five years, the temporarily endowed fund will be considered part of the Foundation's general endowment.

#### NON-ENDOWED FUND

A non-endowed fund is a fund held by the foundation designated for a specific use over a shortened period of time, e.g., Organization accounts; Study Abroad; Capital Projects, etc.

For more information or to establish a fund, please contact the West Liberty University Foundation at 304-336-5635.

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